

REVISED ANALYSIS

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April 17, 2006

May 2, 2006

Related Bills: See Prior Analysis Telephone: 845-6111 Amended Dates: June 14, 2006

Attorney: Patrick Kusiak Sponsor: _____

SUBJECT: Filing Status/Domestic Partners

_____ REVENUE ESTIMATE CHANGED.

_____ FURTHER CONCERNS IDENTIFIED.

_____ REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSES OF BILL AS AMENDED

X April 17, 2006, May 2, 2006, and June 14, 2006, STILL APPLY.

X OTHER – See comments below.

SUMMARY OF BILL

This bill would require registered domestic partners to file personal income tax returns as either: (1) married filing joint, or (2) married filing separate.

SUMMARY OF REVISION

The fiscal impact contained or referenced in the department's analyses of the bill as amended April 17, 2006, May 2, 2006, and June 14, 2006, is being revised to reflect the estimated cost for the department to implement this bill.

Except for this change, the remainder of the department's analyses of the bill as amended April 17, 2006, May 2, 2006, and June 14, 2006, still apply.

POSITION

Pending.

FISCAL IMPACT

Departmental costs to implement this bill are estimated to be \$138,000 in the first year and \$91,000 in each year thereafter.

Implementing this bill would require some changes to existing tax forms and instructions and information systems, which could be accomplished during the normal annual update.

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The department anticipates customer service contacts from taxpayers seeking clarification of the filing requirements. Further, the automated systems that compare federal and state tax information for audit purposes would need additional programming and testing. As a result, the department would experience delays when the automated systems compare federal and state information because the systems would need to search the records individually to match both domestic partners.

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